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TUESDAY EVENING, JAN. 22, 1901.

RAILROADS.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD.

TRAINS LEAVE WASHINGTON, STATION CORNER OF SIXTH AND B STREETS.

John L. Sullivan's Brown.
Some eminent tragedians were once quizzing John L. Sullivan, then in his day. Said one of them:

"Say, John, why don't you try the legitimate? Look at Muldoon. He has played the wrestler until he is as well known in connection with Shakespeare as he is on the mat."

John looked thoughtful for a moment and then growled:

"Say, do you think I could do it?"

"Why, sure. Play 'The Gladiator.' Just the piece for you."

Once again John thought awhile and then said:

"Say, that's a good idea. I think I've got a good scheme to work with it too."

"What is it, John?"

"Why, I'd have a real solid iron arena. I'd come into the arena and holler, 'Bring out your wild ox!' See?"

"Then I'd have 'em bring in a live bull. I'd wrestle round the ring with it until I got a good hold on its horns, and then I'd slowly twist it down and break its neck. Then I'd put my foot on its neck and say, 'Behold the invincible, yours truly, John L. Sullivan, champion of the world!' I'd kill a real live bull for 'em every night. How do you think that'd hit 'em?"

"Great! But great Scott, John! Can you kill a bull like that?"

"Huh! Can I? Come out to the slaughter house and see me do it!"—Kansas City Independent.

The Chinese Cook.

Mrs. White determined in the first flush of her newly wed dignity that she was not going to be "squeezed" by the Chinese cook and the storekeeper, as it was quite plain every one else was. Accordingly she purchased scales and weights and announced her intention of personally weighing everything. For some days this method proved very satisfactory, but she was sometimes a little puzzled on finding that the provisions occasionally weighed more than was charged for.

One day the mystery was solved. She was carefully weighing a chicken. In China not only is everything living and dead, sold by weight, but fowls are always supplied alive. The chicken during the weighing operation suddenly entered a vigorous objection and began to flap and struggle with all its might, and during these flappings and struggling something weighty fell with a thud to the floor, evidently from somewhere about the chicken. This turned out to be a large piece of lead which had been cunningly fastened under one of the wings. Further investigation led to the discovery of a similar piece underneath the other wing. The overweight of the past few days was now accounted for.—Chambers' Journal.

Christening the Children.

An English parson of a church in Berbice, British Guiana, writes enterprisingly of his pastoral duties. In the matter of christening the choice of name is left to the taste or fancy of the parents. This leads to strange combinations. He copies from his register "Nannie Bellona," "Frank Locust," and "Whisky Emmanuel." Of earlier times he tells the following:

One black man brought his child, and when the minister asked its name he said, "Scriatim ad Valorem."

On another occasion the parson asked, "What is the name of the child?"

The father said, "Ax, parson." The minister looked inquiringly at the man and said:

"But I don't understand you."

"Well, parson," said the man, "my mind g'e me to go troo de New Testamente. I have had four boys. The first was named Matthew, the second Mark, the third Luke and the fourth John. Now, this, the fifth one, is to be Ax [Acts], parson."

English Peers Can't Vote.

Disfranchisement is one of the peculiar disabilities under which a peer of the realm suffers. Lord Salisbury once attempted to secure a vote for Hertford and Middlesex, but the revising barrister at Hatfield refused the claim that the disability of parliament necessarily affected the character of law that peers by the law of parliament necessary for the dignity and freedom of the two houses were not permitted to vote for members of the house of commons. Lord Salisbury took the case to the appeal court, but as he could quote "neither precedent nor authority" he was obliged to go back to Hatfield without his vote.—London Chronicle.

Begging Early.

"Shall I have to get married when I grow up?" asked little Flossie one day of her mother.

"Just as you please, dear," answered her mother, with a smile. "Most women do, however."

"Yes; I suppose so," continued the little girl musingly, "and I think I'd better start and look out for a husband now. They say that Aunt Jane has been at it for 20 years and hasn't caught one yet!"—Exchange.

Proof to Her.

"I am quite certain that poor man has seen better times," said Mrs. Gazzan after giving breakfast to a tramp.

"No doubt," added Mr. Gazzan dryly. "They all have."

"But this poor fellow didn't ask me for broken victuals. He said it grieved him to be obliged to apply for a collation."—Detroit Free Press.

The levees on both sides of the Mississippi are of sufficient extent that if they were built in a single straight line they would be about 1,300 miles long or enough to stretch the greater part of the distance between New Orleans and New York.

The Le Conte pear, which revolutionized pear growing in southern California, was originally the Chinese sand pear, grown solely for ornamental purposes.

Such little pills as DeWitt's Little Early Biscuits are very easily taken, and they are wonderfully effective in cleansing the liver and bowels.

CANNED LOBSTER, fresh, just received by J. C. MILBURN.

SARATOGA CHIPS—Fresh Saratoga Chips received today by J. C. MILBURN.

RAILROADS.

Southern Railway.

Schedule in effect January 12, 1901.

Trains leave Alexandria: 7:23 A. M.—Daily—Local for Harrisonburg and for Charlottesville and way stations.

11:35 A. M.—Daily—U. S. Post Mail.

Sunday 4:30, 7:45, 5:00 and 10:00 P. M.

3:12, 5:00 and 7:45 P. M.

For Washington 6:44, 8:00 and 8:22 A. M., 12:14, 3:03, 7:20, 9:18 and 11:03 P. M., Sunday 4:44, 8:29 and 11:51 A. M., 7:20, 9:13 and 11:03 P. M.

7:45 A. M.—Week Days—PITTSBURG EXPRESS—Parlor and Dining Cars, Harrisburg—Pittsburgh.

10:50 A. M.—PENNSYLVANIA LIMITED—Pullman Sleeping, Dining, Smoking and Observation Cars, Harrisburg to Chicago, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, St. Louis, Cleveland and Toledo. Buffet Parlor Car to Harrisburg.

10:50 A. M.—FAST LINE—Pullman Buffet Parlor Car to Harrisburg. Buffet Parlor Car Harrisburg to Pittsburgh.

3:30 P. M.—CHICAGO AND ST. LOUIS EXPRESS—Sleeping Cars Washington to St. Louis and Washington to Indianapolis, St. Louis, Nashville (via Cincinnati and Louisville) and Chicago.

7:45 P. M.—WESTERN EXPRESS—Pullman Sleeping Car to Pittsburgh and Chicago, Dining Car to Chicago.

7:45 P. M.—CLEVELAND AND CINCINNATI EXPRESS—Pullman Sleeping Cars Washington to Pittsburgh and Harrisburg to Cleveland and Cincinnati. Dining Cars.

10:40 P. M.—PACIFIC EXPRESS—Pullman Sleeping Car Pittsburgh.

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